

BAY-DELTA ADVISORY COUNCIL

MEETING PACKAGE

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Date: April 19, 1996

To: BDAC Members

From: Lester A. Snow, Executive Director
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Subject: Information for Upcoming Meeting

The upcoming BDAC meeting will be held at the **Sacramento Convention Center on Thursday, April 25, 1996 from 10:00 am to 5:00 pm.** We will be meeting in Room 204, which is located on the second floor of the Activity Building. There are entrances to the Convention Center on J Street and from the K Street Mall. Parking is available at several lots adjacent to the Convention Center: Allright Parking, 13th & L; State Parking, 15th & K; and Brooks Parking at 15th & K, 16th & I and 16th & L. Please note that we have delayed starting until 10:00 am (to ensure prompt arrivals) and will extend the meeting to 5:00 pm to ensure that we have sufficient time to cover all the agenda items.

The **tour of the Nature Conservancy Cosumnes River Preserve** will be held on **Wednesday afternoon, April 24, 1996.** We will meet at the CALFED Bay-Delta Program office at the Resources Building, Room 1142, at 1:00 pm and begin with a brief overview of the Preserve and its goals. We will depart for the Cosumnes River Preserve about 2:00 in vans. We will make several stops to visit a levee breach site, an oak forest, and a wildlife viewing area. We will also take a short waterside tour (cruise boat) to view several areas on the Mokelumne River. If you do not wish to stay for the whole tour, you make return to Sacramento after the Preserve tour is complete (around 4:45). The objective of the Preserve tour is to view habitat restoration sites utilizing natural processes and specific management techniques. Members of the public are also welcome to join the tour, however, they must make their own transportation arrangements (members of the public should contact Robin Jenkins if they plan to attend so that we can advise Preserve staff as to the number of visitors they may expect).

Most of the material for this upcoming meeting has previously been sent to you. Please be sure to bring the yellow Workshop 6 Information Packet - 10 Draft Alternatives, April 15, 1996, which describes the alternatives in more detail, to the meeting.

Several additional items are attached:

- Draft Agenda;

CALFED Agencies

California

The Resources Agency
Department of Fish and Game
Department of Water Resources
California Environmental Protection Agency
State Water Resources Control Board

Federal

Environmental Protection Agency
Department of the Interior
Fish and Wildlife Service
Bureau of Reclamation
Department of Commerce
National Marine Fisheries Service

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- Map and directions to the Convention Center;
- Correspondence from BDAC members (received since last BDAC meeting);
- Preliminary cost estimates for each of the 10 Draft Alternatives (Agenda Item 3);
- Statement of Purpose for the BDAC Finance Work Group and the Ecosystem Restoration Work Group (Agenda Item 4); and
- Remarks by James Blake, MWD, at the last (March 21, 1996) BDAC meeting.

The primary objectives of the next BDAC meeting are to 1) summarize and review the issues and concerns raised at the Scoping meetings; and 2) review the process we plan to use to get to the short list of alternatives to be analyzed in the EIS/R. Another objective is to continue our discussion of key issue areas common to all alternatives initiated at the last BDAC meeting.

Please mark your calender for the next BDAC meeting which has been scheduled for May 29, 1996, at the Sterling Hotel, 1300 H Street, Sacramento.

Attachment